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Saturday, 5:00 pm
Sunday, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm
Daily Liturgy:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:00 am
Eucharistic Adoration:
Wednesday, 8:30 am – 8:30 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Bulletin Announcements

Please email any announcements to bulletin@olbh.org by noon on Tuesday for the following weekend bulletin.

Doors to Evil

Last Thursday, I attended a meeting with Fr. Christopher Crotty who was at Blessed Sacrament Church for a healing retreat. He spoke to the priests about his ministry to people who have been affected by evil. Recent movies about evil or exorcism (*The Rite, The Exorcism of Emily Rose,* etc.) have had a popular appeal. Some may wonder how real it all is. Although the movies might over dramatize or skew the issues, the reality remains the same. The Church has always affirmed that Satan exists and evil can influence our lives in many ways.

Parents and young people need to have a healthy awareness of the threat of evil, while keeping faith in Christ's power over it. I have met several people who have experienced an evil spirit or its effects because of behavior which could be described as a *door to evil.* That was also the language that Fr. Crotty used as he listed five doorways. My experience affirms the dangers he described.

One door is **mind altering practices**. The most common form is substance abuse. Why does this open a person to evil? Our mind and will power are weakened, and we will do things that we would otherwise never do. We lose inhibition. Our conscience is dimmed. I was raised in a small town where heavy drinking was an acceptable social behavior. However, so many lives were ruined by its effects. While serving on the reservation I observed a high correlation between substance abuse, violence and sexual perversion (promiscuity, incest, rape, etc.).

Sexual promiscuity or perversion is another door to evil. Exorcists and researchers in the occult consistently identify these doors in the lives of their clients. Our sexuality is such a powerful gift. It is intended to be a means of deep communion with God and people. But when perverted, the person's sexual desire becomes self-serving. It seeks only to satisfy self. The philosophy of Satanism says, "Do whatever you want." It fits well with the effects of substance abuse and sexual promiscuity.

The other doors mentioned by Fr. Crotty were **violence and killing, the occult, and witchcraft** (Wicca, Ouija board, etc.). I suppose that many people would think he might be overreacting to name these. Recently, *Ouija Board – Pink* has been a hit among young kids. Many people see it as a harmless game. However, elderly priests have told me about very real people whose interaction with evil was cultivated thru Ouija boards. Years ago, a 16 year old related her terrifying experience and confirmed this truth for me.

Why am I writing about all of this? Not to make you afraid or superstitious. Rather, to affirm that there are doors to evil, yet our faith teaches us how to live so that we are filled with God's bounty. The parable of the seed teaches both lessons. ***"Anyone who has ears for listening should listen"*** (Mark 4:9).

In Christ, Fr. Steve

OLBH Parish News

First Reconciliation & First Communion Parent Meeting

There will be a mandatory parent meeting **Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:30 p.m.** for families who wish to prepare their child for the **Sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation.** Any child in the 2nd grade and/or 7 years old or older and has not yet received First Reconciliation or First Communion is welcome to join us for sacramental preparation. If your child is ready to begin his/her journey together with a parent, please fill out the Faith Formation Registration Form in the Gathering Area and mark the appropriate fields. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Scherr at 787-5168.

New Confirmation Class to Start Soon!

There will be a parent and youth meeting on **Thursday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m.** for those families who have a high school youth who is interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Thompson at 787-5168.

RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children)

Any child who is 7 years old or older and has not been baptized has the opportunity to participate in a RCIC formation course. The program helps them experience and understand the teachings of the Catholic Church. **RCIC is a spiritual journey for non-baptized children who are already at the "age of reason" (7 yrs. or older)**. According to the ancient practice of the Church, they will receive all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) at the Easter Vigil. If anyone is interested in RCIC, please contact Jenny Scherr at 787-5168.

Taize Prayer at Terra Sancta

On **Wednesday, October 10th, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Terra Sancta**, there will be a Taize Prayer Service. Taize prayer uses the simple meditative sung chants of the Taize Community of France. Come join in the ecumenical communal sung prayer the **2nd Wednesday evening of each month**. Please check the Terra Sancta calendar for any changes. www.terrasancta.org

The Knights of Columbus at Our Lady of the Black Hills in Piedmont invites your family to come for an evening of good times! They will serve Brats, German Potato Salad, Red Cabbage, Black Forest Cake and, of course, ice-cold root-beer! The fun will be accompanied by grand polka music!

When: Saturday, October 6, 2012

Time: 6:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

"Give Us This Day" Large Print Edition – Bulk Order

OLBH will be putting in a bulk order for the ***Give Us This Day Large Print Edition*** if you are interested in joining in on the cost savings. This is an annual subscription paid for up front and will be delivered monthly to the parish office for you to pick up. The subscription rate we are hoping to achieve is $39.95 for 1 year. This is a $10 savings off of the original price. If you are interested in participating, please **contact Kassi in the Parish Office.** If you'd like to take a look at a sample copy, please stop by the office.

New Ministry! Monday Morning Mary Maids

We are looking for a few people who would be available after daily Mass on Mondays to help straighten the pews after the weekend services and then also give them a dusting once a month. If you are interested in helping being a ***Monday Morning Mary Maid***, please contact Kassi in the Parish Office, or email her at: kassi.jolley@olbh.org

This Week at Our Lady of the Black Hills

October 1st to October 7th, 2012

Monday, October 1st

St. Therese of the Child Jesus–Virgin, Dr of the Church

Readings: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1-3,6-7; Lk 9:46-50 (*white*)

8:00 am: Morning Prayer

No Daily Mass due to Fall Clergy Days

Tuesday, October 2nd

The Holy Guardian Angels

Readings: Jb 3:1-3,11-17,20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Mt 18:1-5,10 (*white*)

8:00 am: Morning Prayer

No Daily Mass due to Fall Clergy Days

4:00 pm: OLBH dinner at Cornerstone

5:00 pm: Praying the Bible

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts

7:00 pm: Returning Catholics – St. Therese

Wednesday, October 3rd

Readings: Jb 9:1-12,14-16; Ps 88:10-15; Lk 9:57-62 (*green*)

8:00 am: Morning Prayer

No Daily Mass due to FOCCUS Training

8:30 am – 8:30pm: Adoration

9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry

6:30 pm: First Reconciliation/First Communion Parent Meeting

7:00 pm: Reconciliation

Thursday, October 4th

Saint Francis of Assisi

Readings: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9,13-14; Lk 10:1-12 (*white*)

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention:

10:00 am: Staff Meeting

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, October 5th

Readings: Jb 38:1,12-21,40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3,7-10,13-14; Lk 10:13-16 (*green*)

Saturday Morning, October 6th

St. Bruno – Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher - Virgin

Readings: Jb 42:1-3,5-6,12-17; Ps 119:66,71,75,91,125,130; Lk 10:17-24 *(green)*

9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry

3:30 pm: Reconciliation

Saturday Evening, October 6th

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings*:* Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 *(green)*

5:00 pm: Liturgy

Mass Intention: The Sick

6:00 pm: Knights of Columbus – Oktoberfest!

Sunday, October 7th

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings*:* Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 *(green)*

9:00 am: Liturgy

Mass Intention: OLBH Community

10:00 am: Coffee Hour

10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Morning Faith Formation – PreK-3rd & Adult

4:00 pm – 5:45 pm: Faith Formation – PreK - Adult

6:00 pm: Liturgy

Mass Intention: Masses for Life

'Do You Glow in the Dark?'

Year of Faith Youth Event

Saturday, Oct. 13

7:30~9:00 p.m.

STM Middle School gym

For all Middle and High School Youth in the Rapid City Diocese

Teresa Thompson, 787~5168 or teresa@olbh.org

Weekly Ministry Schedule

October 6th and 7th

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Bread Baker	Mary Blauvelt		
Altar Servers	Kimberly Schacher Daylen Rhodes Morgan Sears	Christian Weaver Joshua Weaver Andrew Corbine	Paige Gehlsen Isaac Gehlsen Shayla Heid
Precious Body **Precious Blood**	Eileen Desmond Bernadette Usera Joe Deaver John Usera Kathy Van Asma	Larry Williamson Joyce Williamson Christine Didriksen Jean Schubauer Marty Quinn	Sharon Long Deb Steele Lorinda Collings Phillip Thompson Teresa Thompson
Lectors	Jennifer Ryder Kimberly Darata	Pamela Weaver Bob Weaver	Pascal Bedard John Vargo
Sacristans	Joe Schacher Linda Schacher	Brenda Jacobs Marc Jacobs	Matthew Blauvelt Brad Blauvelt Mary Blauvelt
Greeters	Steve Colgan Sue Colgan	Mike Keller Duane Schubauer	Aaron Denekamp Aaron Thies

*Intercessory Prayers

Life and Health Concerns

Joe Creek
Don Thrall
Marie Honerkamp
Ray Walz
Gloria Allardyce
Liette Herbert
Tracy Rudnick
Pat Suiter
Susan Stokes
Les & Matt Bedney (parents of Marie Pothoff)

Repose of the Soul

Ken Brenneise (Nancy Sass' step-father)

**Names will remain on our list for one month. Please contact the parish office to request continued prayers.*

The Collection Basket

September 22nd and 23rd, 2012

Loose	$1876.00
Envelopes	1929.00
Votive	4.25
Student	68.55
Mass Intention	50.00
Faith Formation	40.00
Directory	17.00
Rectory	500.00
Total	$4484.80

Rapid City Diocese News

Catholics Returning Home

Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? Do you know someone who wants to return to the church? If so, there is a special ministry for people who have been away from the Church. The six-week "Catholics Returning Home" series begins at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2012, at St. Therese**, 532 Adams Street, Rapid City. For more information, contact Greg Sass at greg.sass@olbh.org or 605-939-0579, or visit http://ReturningCatholics.net. There is no charge and pre-registration is not required.

Annual Diocesan Women's Retreat October 12-14, 2012

This year's Diocesan Women's Retreat will be held **October 12-14**, ***UNNAMED WOMEN OF THE GOSPEL,*** will be directed by Sr. Lorane Coffin, OSB at Terra Sancta Retreat Center in Rapid City. Through prayer, conferences and guided reflections, the retreat offers an opportunity for retreat participants to further develop the story of their faith journey as they ponder the mystery of their personal relationship with Jesus. Registration fee: $115. For more information, call Jill at Family Life Ministries, 605-343-3541.

Catholic Daughters Present Religious Freedom Forum

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Ct. St. Rita #916 will host a forum entitled: **The Cost of Losing Our Religious Freedom**. The forum will begin at **7:00p.m., Monday, October 8, 2012, at St. Therese Church**. Four speakers from the Rapid City area will address the issue: Fr. Nathan Sparks, Mr. Qusi Al-Haj, Mr. Jeff Hurd, Mr. Jim Kinyon. All are welcome to join us: Catholic and non-Catholic, friends, men and women, young and old. We encourage you to attend this most important informational evening. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. Speakers will begin at 7:00 p.m. with Questions and Answers to follow. Contacts: Florence Skinner 393-8213; Linda Birgenheir 394-5496; Kristine Engelhardt 484-9030.

St. Francis of Assisi Annual Bazaar

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Sturgis will hold its annual Bazaar on **Sunday, October 7th**. The Turkey dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. which costs $8.00 for adults; ages 4-12 are $4.00 and ages 3 and under are free. Games begin at 10:30 a.m. and the country store opens at 8:00 a.m. The yard sale is Saturday, October 6th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Contact information: Publicity Chairman Joan Bachmeier, 347-5815 or joanbach@midco.net

Catholic Social Services Schedules Annual Meeting

The Benedictine sisters of St. Martin monastery will receive the Msgr. William O'Connell founder's award. Catholic Social Services has scheduled its Annual Meeting for **Sunday, October 21st** in the LaCroix Ballroom - Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, **from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m**.

The first Founder's Award was first presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting to the founder of Catholic Social Services, Msgr. William O'Connell and in 2011 to the Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, Archbishop of Philadelphia and former Bishop of the Diocese of Rapid City. The Sisters of St. Martin Monastery have a long history of the same goals as Catholic Social Services. The Sisters have served our Diocese for the past 124 years and have been guided by the rule of Saint Benedict. "Great care and concern are to be shown in receiving the poor people and pilgrims, because in them more particularly Christ is received."

Governor Dennis Daugaard is the Keynote Speaker, with Jim Kinyon, CSS Executive Director providing a brief Annual Report on Catholic Social Services.

Tickets are $15 per person and include refreshments and hors d' oeuvres. Please call 605-348-6086 for your reservation today.

Year of Faith

Oct. 11, 2012-Nov. 24, 2013

On Sunday, October 14, at 2:00 p.m., Bishop Gruss will celebrate the opening Mass for the Year of Faith at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The Diocese of Rapid City has also created a website to follow along with Diocesan Events and it includes many Year of Faith resources. You can find this at: **http://yofrc.org/** You can find the official Vatican Year of Faith Website at:

http://www.annusfidei.va/

Diocesan Year of Faith Prayer

Heavenly Father,
In this Year of Faith, you have given your Church this important time for spiritual renewal. Pour out upon your Church the abundant life of your Holy Spirit.
Deepen in my own heart a desire to be renewed in my own faith and to enter into this time of conversion.
Pour out your Spirit upon me so that I might be strengthened to make the sacrifices necessary to grow in my faith and thereby deepen my relationship with your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Open my heart during this Year of Faith to your Word in ways I have never heard it before so that it might be reshaped by your transforming grace.
As a disciple, the Gospel calls me to be a witness of Christ's love to the world and to evangelize others. Renew and strengthen in me the desire to go forth and boldly give witness to its saving grace in my everyday life through my words and actions.
God, our Father, I pray that through the Holy Spirit, I may hear in this Year of Faith your call to discover a deeper life in abundance through your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

Job Opening at STM Middle School

St. Thomas More Middle School is accepting applications for the following position: **Recreational Supervisor for Middle School Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m**. Applicants must enjoy working with children, be reliable and enthusiastic. Responsibilities would include monitoring outdoor recreational activities for the Middle School Students, supervision of students going to St. Thomas More High School for lunch, and returning to St. Thomas More Middle School. Applications may be viewed online at www.rccss.net or stop by St. Thomas More Middle School to pick one up at 431 Oakland Ave.

Angel Bazaar

The 29th annual Cathedral Angels Bazaar will be held on **Saturday, December 1st, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Hall at 520 Cathedral Drive, 5th & Fairmont. To rent a booth contact Jane 348-9439. We will be serving breakfast and lunch. Caramel rolls, chili, sloppy Joes, and nachos.

St. Martin Workshop

Prelude to Advent Workshop to be held **November 24th, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30a.m.** An offering of $10.00 is requested. Workshop will be held in the large conference room, St. Martin Monastery. Refreshments will be served. As we meditate on the beautiful scripture passages of the coming of Christ, our heart of prayer will be learning to listen to what God is doing in our soul. Registration is necessary. Contact Sister Marmion Howe at 605-343-8011.

New E-book Resources

The Communications Office of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops recently launched a new line of e-books! Resources on catechesis, spirituality, Catho-lic social teaching, ecumenism, and cultural diver-sity are now available in e-book format. For a complete listing of e-book resources, visit amazon.com and sony.com. Visit usccbpublishing.org or call 800.235.8722 for other available resources.

For the Ride Home

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

By Ted Bergh

Scripture

- the spirit came to rest on them (Numbers 11:27)
- Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! (Numbers 11:29)
- giving wisdom to the simple. (Psalm 19:8)
- he offers you no resistance. (James 5:6)
- you belong to Christ, (Mark 9:41)

Reflection

- What does God want for you?
- What do you want for God?

If you call on God let it not be to ask for anything. For when you call upon God for aid the call you make is for him to come into yourself. What place is there into which the Lord and God can come, what place fit for the God who made heaven and earth? Is it a small thing that God himself should fill you? If he comes without silver and gold, do you not want him? Which of the things he has made can satisfy you, if God himself does not? (St. Augustine)

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Library Volunteers Needed at RCCSS

Volunteers are needed for the Rapid City Catholic Schools Libraries - Elementary, Middle and High School. If you are interested, please contact the RCCSS at 343.8484 or Melissa Hubbell at 791.2254.

Sylvan Learning Center

Sylvan Learning Center is looking for teachers (current or expired certificate) to teach Monday -Thursday, 4:00-6:00 p.m., and Saturday, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The pay is $9.00 per hour. If you are interested, please drop off or e-mail a resume to 821 Mt. Rushmore Road or sylvanrc@rushmore.com

March for Life

The 40th Annual March for Life will take place on **Friday, January 25, 2013.** The Diocese of Sioux Falls is organizing a pilgrimage to Washington DC for the March and has invited us to join them. This pilgrimage will include participation in the March, the Catholic youth rally, and some free time to visit sites at our Nation's Capital. **Dates are January 23-27, 2013**. The bus will depart from Sioux Falls at around 5:00 p.m. on January 23rd. Cost is $375. Open to youth and adults. Middle school youth may attend if a parent accompanies them. **Deadline for registration is November 1.** For more information, go to the Diocese of Sioux Falls website: http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/?p=881.
A registration form is available here: http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/Registration.pdf
If there is interest, we may be able to arrange for a bus from Rapid City to Sioux Falls for an additional cost. Contact Susan Safford at 716-5214 if you have students who would like to ride a bus from here to Sioux Falls.

Respect Life Sunday
Sunday, October 7th, 2012

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